

House Resolution No. 276

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high regard those Show-Me State medical institutions which help raise the quality of life in local communities and neighborhoods through the excellence of their health care services; and

Whereas, Northwest Health Services, Incorporated, has attained considerable distinction since its founding in Holt County and merger with Caldwell County Medical Aid Corporation in 1997 to form what is now a health care network that consists of eleven health clinics, one dental clinic, and one pharmacy to provide quality health care throughout northwest Missouri, northeast Kansas, and parts of Nebraska; and

Whereas, on February 1, 2005, Northwest Health Services will enhance its already impressive record of accomplishment when it hosts an Open House in recognition of the December 27, 2004, opening of the North End Health Center on Saint Joseph Avenue in Saint Joseph, Missouri; and

Whereas, the North End Health Center joins the likewise newly-opened South Side Health Center to provide increased health care options to the western neighborhoods of Saint Joseph; and

Whereas, Northwest Health Services financed the creation of the new facilities through a combination of federal funding, state funding, and local investment and is cooperating with Heartland Regional Medical Center to recruit family physicians, nurse practitioners, licensed clinical social workers, and support staff for the westside clinics; and

Whereas, Northwest Health Services also involved the local community in two advisory councils which determined the need for pharmacy services in the north end, a situation which resulted in the relocation of The Apothecary from Heartland's west campus to space adjacent to the North End Health Center; and

Whereas, the North End Health Center will initially be staffed by adult nurse practitioner Rich Campbell and offer laboratory services on site; and

Whereas, Northwest Health Services plans to increase staffing at the North End Health Center to include two full-time family physicians and a licensed clinical social worker by mid-2005:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the stellar history of community-oriented service so generously and diligently contributed by Northwest Health Services and to convey to all of those involved this legislative body's most heartfelt congratulations upon the opening of two new health care facilities in Saint Joseph and our sincerest best wishes for continued success for many more years to come; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for presentation to Northwest Health Services, Incorporated, of Saint Joseph, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Ed Wildberger
District No. 27

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. 276, adopted January 27, 2005.

Rod Jetton, Speaker